

**Table 1 - Information**

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Andrew Taylor and Dan Paje Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	07/06/2023
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Tower Access Point and Track 5081
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed tower location
Work Package ID	Access Tracks (L5)

**Table 2 – Pre-Clearance Survey Details**

Infrastructure Surveyed				
Tower Footprint	<input type="checkbox"/>	Centreline	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Break and Winch Site	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parking Areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Access Track (existing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Access Track (new)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Disturbance Area B	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Details of Other:	Access Point and Track 5081			
Protected Matters				
Item	Presence Identified		Quantum to Clear (Ha)	Comments
	Yes	No		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Natural Grasslands of the Murray Valley Plains <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Buloke Woodlands of the Riverina and Murray-Darling Depression Bioregions <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Mallee Bird Community of the Murray Darling Depression Bioregion <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Plains mallee box woodland of the Murray Darling Depression, Riverina and Naracoorte Coastal Plains bioregions <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Seasonal Herbaceous Wetlands (Freshwater) of the Temperate Lowland Plains <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

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Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa metatoris</i> ) <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for A spear-grass ( <i>austrostipa wakoolica</i> ) <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Mossgiel Daisy <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Sand-hill Spider Orchid <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for A burr-daisy <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Winged Peppercross <sup>1</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Chariot Wheels <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Slender Darling Pea <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Yellow Swainson-pea <sup>2</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Plains Wanderer <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Regent Parrot (eastern subspecies) <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Habitat for Superb Parrot <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

Notes:

- 1 Protected matter listed within the Notification of Approval EnergyConnect NSW – Eastern Section (EPBC 2020/8766)
- 2 Protected matter listed within the Revised Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (August 2022)

**Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:**

- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be completed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.
- Check extent of EPBC Act TEC in Access Point 5081. Native species located in the nearby road reserve are likely to be consistent with nearby TEC to the east.

**Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees**

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
GPS coordinates and habitat trees recorded?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Nest boxes required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:



**Weeds**

Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
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Environmental Exclusion Zones			
Threatened Species Identified within Disturbance Area B?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Unexpected Finds			
Were any Unexpected Finds identified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
Additional Comments			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cropping land, highly modified with native vegetation within road reserve.</li> <li>- Weeds to be managed in accordance with approved Biosecurity Management Plan</li> <li>- No ecologist required for clearing activities.</li> <li>- No additional mitigation measures required. Clearing works to be completed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.</li> <li>- Additional weed species: Wild Oat (<i>Avena fatua</i>), Spear Thistle (<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>), Flaxleaf Fleabane (<i>Conzya bonariensis</i>), Paterson’s Curse (<i>Echium plantagineum</i>), Horseweed (<i>Erigeron canadensis</i>), Prickly Lettuce (<i>Lactuca serriola</i>), Witchgrass (<i>Panicum capillare</i>), Black Nightshade (<i>Solanum nigrum</i>), Bathurst Burr (<i>Xanthium spinosum</i>).</li> </ul>			

**Table 3 – Pre-Clearance Approval**

Ecologist	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 months
Name	Andrew Taylor
Signature	
Date	07/06/2023
SecureEnergy	
Name	Jade McManus
Position	Senior Environmental Advisor
Signature	
Date	7/07/2023

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**Table 1 - Information**

Item	Detail
Ecologist / Fauna Spotter(s) Completing Pre-Clearance Survey	Name: Arthur Nemet & Dini Koswatta-Gamage Qualification: Ecologists
Date of Pre-Clearance Survey	05-05-2023
Specific Pre-Clearance Survey Location (Line No./ Tower / Span No.)	L5 Towers Access Point 5055B
Scope Methodology	Desktop review of vegetation mapping for nominated area In field visual inspection by ecologists of the proposed access point
Work Package ID	Access Tracks (L5)

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Disturbance Area B	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Details of Other:	Access Point 5055B			
Protected Matters				
Item	Presence Identified		Quantum to Clear (Ha)	Comments
	Yes	No		
White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland <sup>12</sup>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0.0024	Both State and Nationally listed community present within alignment (understorey only).
Grey Box ( <i>Eucalyptus microcarpa</i> ) Grassy Woodlands and Derived Native Grasslands of South-eastern Australia <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Weeping Myall Woodlands <sup>12</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
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**Management measures required to avoid or minimise impacts to Protected Matters:**

Recommend shifting alignment to completely within private property (approx. 20m north)

If alignment cannot be shifted:

Exclusion zones to be installed to restrict access to protected matters outside the construction footprint.

**Hollow Bearing / Habitat Trees**

Habitat trees and habitat features identified & marked?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
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Nest boxes required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:
Fauna spotter required to be present during clearing activities?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Comments:

**Weeds**

Were any Weeds of National Significance or Priority Weeds identified?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: Paterson’s Curse, Silverleaf Nightshade
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<b>Environmental Exclusion Zones</b>			
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Environmental exclusion zones required?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
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If yes, has the Environmental Manager been notified?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Details:
<b>Additional Comments</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clearing works to be completed in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Management Plan.</li> <li>- Weeds to be managed in accordance with approved Biosecurity Management plan.</li> <li>- Additional weeds; <i>Paspalum dilatatum</i>., Fleabane and Silverleaf Nightshade</li> </ul>			


**Table 3 – Pre-Clearance Approval**

<b>Ecologist</b>	
Pre-clearance Assessment Timeframe for Nominated Works	3 Months
Name	Arthur Nemet
Signature	
Date	05-05-2023
<b>SecureEnergy</b>	
Name	Jade McManus
Position	Senior Environmental Advisor

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Project EnergyConnect (NSW – Eastern Section)  
Ecology Pre-Clearance Report



Signature	
Date	7/07/2023

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